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For: **FORMULATIONS FOR TREATING OR PREVENTING MUCOSITIS**

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed on November 26, 2002, please consider the remarks as follows. It is believed that no additional fee is required with this submission. However, should an additional fee be required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee to Deposit Account No. 50-1868.

In the claims

21. (amended) The method of claim 15 wherein the carrier for topical administration comprises the tetracycline coated onto or encapsulated into a carrier selected from the group consisting of powders, pellets, microcapsules, liposomes, and emulsions, comprising suspending or dissolving the tetracycline and carrier in a liquid for [adminstration] administration of the tetracycline to the patient.

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